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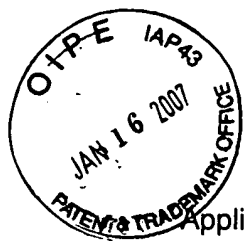
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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

This communication is in response to the Examiner's non-final Office Action dated October 17, 2006, in which claims 1, 2 and 4 were rejected. Claim 3 was objected to. Applicants respectfully request entry of this communication and reconsideration of the claimed invention as it is believed Claim 3, presented as new Claim 5, is now in condition for allowance.